

mechanically operated freezing units for ice cream and cooling units for soft drinks.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 18 of Article 53 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1929 Supplement), title "Landlord and Tenant," sub-title "Distress for Rent," as said section was amended by Chapter 326 of the Acts of 1931, be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments, to read as follows:

18. The following property shall be exempt from distress for rent, to wit: Every spinning wheel, loom, sewing machine, typewriter, stove, cash register, piano, organ, or other musical instrument, not the property of the tenant or rented, hired or loaned to the tenant; and telephone instruments, telephone booths and other telephone equipment not the property of the tenant; mechanically operated freezing units for ice cream and cooling units for soft drinks, not the property of the tenant; and gasoline tanks, gasoline pumps and oil receptacles which are plainly marked or tagged, stating who owns said articles, not the property of the tenant or rented, hired or loaned to the tenant; vending or weighing machines designed to receive coins or tokens, not the property of the tenant; and every horse, carriage and harness, whip and robe, saddle and bridle, or motor vehicle and appurtenances not the property of the tenant, in any livery stable or garage, or which may be stored with any keeper of any livery stable or garage or other persons, or in any other place, outhouse or barn of the tenant; and all property of any boarder or sojourner at any hotel, tavern, public or private boarding house; and any vehicle not the property of the tenant in any shop for repair; and the goods and chattels of the innocent tenant who has paid his rent to the owner of the leasehold estate shall be exempt from restraint for ground rent if any due and owing to the ground rent landlord by the owner of the leasehold estate. Provided that, except in Prince George's County, if the landlord shall distress upon any goods, chattels, or other personal property on the premises not exempt under this section, it shall be the duty of the landlord, before a sale of such property shall be made under such distress proceedings (except in cases of personal property in office buildings, in which cases there shall not be such duty), to ascertain whether or not any such goods, chattels, or other personal property are being purchased by the tenant under